

STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JULY 27, 2009, 10:00AM
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH, DWD ROOM 301-A
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Present: Susan Brooks, Leroy Jackson, Paul Perkins, Derek Redelman, Robert Schaefer, Dennis Wimer, Senator Bob Deig.

Absent: Jim McClelland, John A. (Jac) Price

Also Present: From the Indiana Department of Workforce Development: Dr. Gina DelSanto, Senior Deputy Commissioner for Policy and Performance; Jackie Dowd, Director for Educational and Training Programs; Nate Klinck, Director of Policy; Randy Gillespie, Director of Budget; Rick St. John, State Veterans Coordinator.

Call to Order and Roll: State Workforce Innovation Council Chair, Paul Perkins, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Mr. Perkins called the roll of SWIC Executive members and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Paul Perkins asked if the Executive Members reviewed June 2nd minutes. Robert Schaffer motioned for approval and Derek Redelman seconded motion, motion approved.

Dr. DelSanto began discussion with the USDOL (United States Department of Labor) Determination on Discretionary Funds and Competitive Grants Protocol. Going forward the State Workforce Innovative Council (SWIC) must have a strong role in funding regarding Dislocated and Adult Workers; we should be determining specifications on the allocation of this money. Dr. DelSanto referenced to the handout of the email between her and Nick Lammers, Acting Regional Administrator for Region 5 Chicago, stating that the State can award or distribute funds without a Request for Procurement (RFP). However, if the state intends to award funds to other entities such as a service provider then the competitive procurement requirements apply.

Dr. DelSanto continued discussion of Rapid Response and Discretionary funds stating that specific committees will be set up to oversee these funds. The committee members will present to the full SWIC regarding the decision they make using creative thinking on how to spend the money and what guidelines need to be in place. Department of Workforce Development will staff the committees as non SWIC members are welcome to join. There would be a chair person present at all meetings that would report back at the SWIC Executive members at their monthly meetings. Rapid Response funds will be used for lay off diversions, on the job training and will be made as a priority.

Dr. DelSanto directed attention towards a handout titled Competitive Grant Protocols. Discussion continued regarding the protocol that the sub committees will use once all the

committees have been formed. The question remains, should the subcommittees be empowered to make the final decision? This handout and idea will be presented at the next full SWIC meeting.

At this time, Mr. Randy Gillespie discussed budget reviews. He directed everyone's attention to his handouts explaining the monthly budgets. He walked through the updated form focusing on the percentages of Direct Program Services. Mr. Gillespie stated these forms will help the SWIC understand what funds are being used throughout the State. The handouts show the percentages of how much money is being used per region year to date. It was agreed up the members that this information will be shared with all regions so they can see how each region is doing.


At this time Rick St. John gave a short presentation of Veterans Workforce Investment Program (VWIP). VWIP is a DOL-VETS Grant that is open for proposals from any organization and is solicited by DOL every three years. Only 17 awards are given for fiscal year 2010, and Indiana is one of the recipients. The focus for fiscal year 2010 is on green jobs training and placement. Mr. St. John reiterated that it is important that this program continue to thrive and provide resources to our veterans throughout the state of Indiana.

Dr. DeSanto directed attention to the next item on the agenda, Committee Structures. Dennis Wimer provided a brief summary of the Youth Committee's first meeting which was held July 24th. He is the chair and Leslie Crist is the head of this Committee. This committee will overview Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG), Job Corp, and Career and Tech Education (CTE).

There are a few additional committees to be formed: Educational Review which Jackie Dowd will chair, Grants Committee, Compliance Committee and Employer and Employee Development Committee. Discussion ensued regarding committee structure.

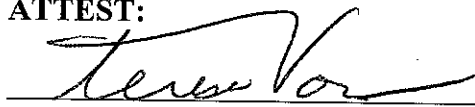
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:43PM.

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Paul Perkins, Chairman

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Teresa L. Voors, Commissioner
Indiana Department of Workforce Development